

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application:

1. (Cancelled.)
2. (Cancelled.)
3. (Cancelled.)
4. (Cancelled.)
5. (Cancelled.)
6. (Cancelled.)
7. (Currently Amended) An identification card comprising:

a first portion:

a cavity disposed on a first face of the identification card and within the first portion, the cavity operable to receive an item personally selected by a cardholder of the identification card to customize the identification card according to one or more particular personal preferences of the cardholder, wherein the identification card is operable to identify the cardholder and an issuer of the identification card;

a second portion connectable to the first portion. the second portion operable to secure the item in the cavity and operable to permit the item to be inserted into and removed from the cavity by the cardholder;

a securing mechanism operable to affix the cover to the identification card, the securing mechanism comprising at least one indentation on the second portion, the indentation operable with the first portion to removably connect the first portion to the second portion; and

a magnetic stripe disposed on the identification card at a location on the identification card that is separate from a location of the cavity disposed within the identification card, the

magnetic stripe operable to store information of the issuer of the identification card and of the cardholder of the identification card.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The identification card of claim 7, wherein a second face has an at least partially transparent portion to allow viewing of the item in the cavity.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently Amended) The identification card of Claim 7, the securing mechanism comprising:

a distal portion along an edge of the second portion and

a recessed portion in the cavity, the recessed portion operable to receive the distal portion

of the second portion to secure the item in the identification card.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) An identification card comprising:

a first face:

a second face parallel to the first face;

a recess disposed on one the first and second faces~~within the identification card~~, the recess operable to receive an insert, the recess permitting the insert to be inserted into and removed from the recess by a cardholder of the identification card, wherein the identification card is operable to identify the cardholder and an issuer of the identification card; the insert coupleable to a picture to permit the picture to be inserted into and removed from the recess by the cardholder, the picture being personally selected by the cardholder to customize the identification card according to one or more particular personal preferences of the cardholder;

a cover operable to maintain the insert within the recess, wherein the cover is slidably secured to the identification card; and

a magnetic stripe disposed on the first face of the identification card at a location on the identification card that is separate from a projection of the recess onto the first face of the identification card, the magnetic stripe operable to store information of the issuer of the identification card and of the cardholder of the identification card.

- 24. (Cancelled)
- 25. (Cancelled)
- 26. (Cancelled)
- 27. (Cancelled)
- 28. (Cancelled)
- 29. (Cancelled)
- 30. (Cancelled)

31. (Currently Amended) The identification card of Claim 23, comprising a securing mechanism operable to affix the cover to the identification card.
32. (Previously Presented) The identification card of Claim 31, the securing mechanism comprising a groove in the recess of the identification card, the groove operable with the cover to removably secure the cover to the identification card.
33. (Previously Presented) The identification card of claim 31, the securing mechanism comprising:
a distal portion along an edge of the cover; and
a recessed portion in the recess, the recessed portion operable to receive the distal portion of the cover to secure the insert in the identification card.
34. (Cancelled)
35. (Cancelled)
36. (Cancelled)
37. (Cancelled)
38. (Cancelled)
39. (Cancelled)
40. (Cancelled)
41. (Currently Amended) The identification card of Claim 2339, wherein a second face has an at least partially transparent portion to allow viewing of the picture in the recess.
42. (Cancelled)
43. (Cancelled)